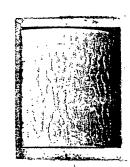
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She of the concerns heard about the reorganization was that economic intelligence would suffer. The attacked from Leo Cherne provides useful reassurance on that score.



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PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY BOARD

January 25, 1983

Dear Jim:

I deeply appreciate your sending me the Index of IEEW Articles, Perspectives, and Briefs. I must say quite candidly though I read most of those issues (I do receive the report weekly) and, as you know, it is the one which most matches my responsibilities on the Board. I had no sense of the extraordinary volume and range of the coverage. Indeed, had the index covered the entire year rather than simply most of the last quarter of 1982, I would have found that volume of analysis and commentary impressive. After I was finished skimming through the pages and looking in detail at the subjects covered involving several of the LDC debtor countries, I turned back to the cover page just to assure myself that all of this was the output in a three-month period. Quantity. however, is one measure, quality is the most important one. It is my judgment and I have conveyed it to my colleagues on the Board that economic intelligence is now superior to the coverage of that field during the six years of my membership on the Board.

With warm regards.

Sincerely,

Leo Cherne Vice Chairman

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